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WESTERN TO HOST CEO AND PRESIDENT OF i2E

St. Joseph, Mo. —Nov. 3, 2006—Greg Main, CEO and president of i2E, is presenting “How to ‘Deal’ with a Venture Capitalist” at Missouri Western State University from 7:30-9:30 a.m. Nov. 21 in Leah Spratt Hall, Enright Room 216. The event will review strategies for mobilizing capital to fund early stage technology-based companies.

Cost is \$25, which includes a buffet breakfast. To register, call 816-271-4100 or toll free 866-U-WIN-GOLD by Nov. 15.

Main was named CEO and president of i2E, a private not-for-profit Oklahoma corporation focused on wealth creation by growing the technology-based entrepreneurial economy in Oklahoma, in March 2003. During a career that spans both the public and private sector, he has been a venture capitalist with two firms and a senior economic development executive in two states. Most recently he was a general partner with Chisholm Private Capital Partners in Oklahoma City. Formerly, he was the Southwest Partner for Intersouth Partners of Durham, N.C.

Previously, Main was the Oklahoma Secretary of Commerce. His tenure was highlighted by new initiatives such as the Oklahoma Quality Jobs Program, the

Oklahoma Capital Investment Board Venture Investing Program and the Oklahoma Alliance for Manufacturing Excellence. Earlier, he was Deputy Director for Economic Development at the Michigan Department of Commerce.

Main has been an investor/director in nine early-stage private companies in Oklahoma, Texas and Michigan. He is an honors graduate of Michigan State University.

The presentation is sponsored by Western Institute Center for Professional Development. For more information please contact Peggy Ellis at 816-271-4116 or ellis@missouriwestern.edu.

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